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IRRIGATION PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of irrigation projects existing in the country, State-wise and Project-wise;

(b) the percentage of cultivable land under irrigation in the country, State-wise;

(c) the percentage of irrigated land brought under cultivation from First Five Year Plan to Tenth Five Year Plan, Plan-wise;

(d) the total amount so far invested for irrigation, Plan-wise; and

(e) the growth rate of irrigation in each plan period?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a) to (e): Irrigation is a State`s subject and planning, execution, funding and priority of construction of irrigation projects is within the purview of State Governments. There were 1887 major and medium projects taken up during various plans/pre-plan periods. The number of major, medium and Extension, Renovation & Modernization irrigation projects completed up to −IX Plan are 1232 and projects planed to be completed by end of X Plan (2002-07) are 1410. There are 477 spillover projects from X Plan to XI Plan. The State-wise details in respect of 477 projects are given in Annexure-I. The State-wise details of Net Sown area, New Irrigated Area and percentage of irrigated area under cultivation are given in Annexure-II. The total plan expediture for all sectors, expenditure on irrigation and percentage expenditure on irrigation from First Five Year Plan to Tenth Five Year Plan are as under:-

(Rs. in crore)

Plan period	Total Plan Expenditure all sectors	Expenditure on irrigation	Percentage expenditure on irrigation
First Plan 1960	441.8	22.24	
Second Plan 4672	541.6	11.59	
Third Plan 8577	1019.1	11.89	
Annual	6625	990.7	15.04
Fourth Plan	15779	2415.7	15.31
Fifth Plan 28653	3925.8	14.22	
Annual	22950	3423.5	14.27
Sixth Plan 109292	11526.7	10.55	
Seventh Plan 218730	18734.1	8.56	
Annual	123120	9108.7	7.4
Eighth Plan	483060	34957.2	7.59
Ninth Plan 941041	63049.0	6.7	
Tenth Plan 1525639	95734.4	6.28	
Total	3490098	245868.3	

An amount of Rs.245868.30 crore has been invested so far for irrigation projects from First Five Year Plan to Tenth Five Year Plan. The plan − wise position of irrigation potential created and irrigation potential utilized (growth rate of irrigation in each plan period) are given in Annexure-III.